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REMARKS

I. <u>Amendment to the Specification</u>

This Amendment is submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. The Notice of Allowance in this application was mailed on March 26, 2007.

Applicants amend the specification to correct a typographical error in the Examiner's Amendment. As indicated in the Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary, International Application No. PCT/US97/08907 is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/653,036.

Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered without withdrawing the Application from issue and that an Issuance Notification be mailed in due course.

II. Statement

A telephonic interview was held on March 1, 2007 between Examiner Irene Marx and Applicants' representative, Dr. Laurence H. Posorske. During the interview, the correct priority claim for the Application was discussed. Applicants thank Examiner Marx for her time and attention to this matter.

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CONCLUSION

It is believed that no fees are necessary in connection with this Amendment. However, if the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that such fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such necessary fees to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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